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SUBJ: BERLIN AND DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

REFS: A) BONN 10799; B) BONN 10675; C) USBER 1310 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: LEGAL COMMITTEE HAS DRAFTED A TEXT OF A BK/O EXTENDING TO BERLIN THE EC DECISION AND ACT ON DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. BK/O WOULD EXTEND DECISION AND ACT SUBJECT ALLIED RESERVATIONS. GIVEN BONN INTEREST IN MATTER, TEXT OF BK/O IS BEING REFERRED TO BONN GROUP FOR REVIEW. ACTION REQUESTED: BONN GROUP CONCURRENCE IN TEXT. END SUMMARY.

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2. IN REFTELS, A AND B, AMEMBASSY BONN CORRECTLY CAPSULED BERLIN MISSIONS' REASONS FOR ISSUING BK/L (77)13 WHICH POSTPONED ACTION ON EC DECISION AND ACT. FRG ACTION SEPARATING LEGISLATION ON DECISION AND ACT FROM RELATED IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION IS NEW FACTOR WHICH MISSION READILY AGREED CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA ACTION ON DECISION AND ACT

### EXTENSION TO BERLIN.

3. TEXT OF PROPOSED BK/O FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: "SUBJECT: DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

1. THE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA APPROVES TO THE EXTENT COMPATIBLE WITH ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES THE
EXTENSION TO BERLIN OF THE DECISION AND ACT OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES CONCERNING THE
ELECTION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ASSEMBLY BY
DIRECT UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE ON THE UNDERSTANDING

THAT THE BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WILL SELECT

THE REPRESENTATIVES FOR THOSE SEATS WHICH FALL TO

BERLIN WITHIN THE QUOTA FOR THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY.

2. EXTENSION OF THE DECISION AND ACT TO BERLIN DOES NOT IMPLY THAT ALLIED LEGISLATION HAS BEEN REPEALED OR MODIFIED IN ANY WAY.

3. THIS ORDER WILL BE TRANSMITTED...(CUSTOMARY CLOSING). END TEXT.

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4. UKBER LEGAL ADVISER ALSO PUT FORWARD A DRAFT OF A BK/L ON THIS SUBJECT TO BE ISSUED AT SAME TIME AS BK/O. FRENCH AND USBER LEGAL ADVISERS DID NOT FAVOR TEXT AND DID NOT CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO ISSUE BK/L AT THIS TIME. UKBER LEGAL ADVISER SAID HE WOULD REPORT TEXT TO BONN AND THAT UK BONN REP MIGHT RAISE TEXT IN BONN GROUP. IMPACT OF BK/L IS TO RESERVE ALLIED POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE POSSIBLE ASSUMPTION BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT OF LEGISLATIVE OR GENERALLY INCREASED POWERS. FRENCH AND USBER LEGAL ADVISERS CONSIDERED ISSUE PREMATURE, AND THAT THE GENERAL TERMS OF THE BK/L REFLECTED ITS PREMATURITY. THEY ALSO CONSIDERED THAT IF A PURPOSE OF SUCH A STATEMENT WAS TO PREEMPT A SOVIET PROTEST, IT WOULD NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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SUCCEED SINCE BK/L'S ARE NOT MADE PUBLIC. ON THE OTHER HAND IF THE TEXT WERE INTENDED TO INDICATE A RESERVATION OF ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES VIS-A-VIS THE SENAT, THE FRG AND EC, THE BK/O APPEARS SUFFICIENT.

5. TEXT OF UKBER PROPOSED BK/L FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT "SUBJECT: DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT TO: THE GOVERNING MAYOR, BERLIN THE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA HAS TODAY ISSUED AN ORDER APPROVING THE EXTENSION TO BERLIN OF THE DECISION AND ACT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ASSEMBLY BY DIRECT UNIVERAL SUFFRAGE. SUCH APPROVAL IS EXPRESSED TO BE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN UNDERSTANDINGS AND IS GIVEN TO THE EXTENT COMPATIBLE WITH ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. IN THIS CONNECTION THE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA WISH TO POINT OUT THAT IF AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE THE NEW DIRECTLY ELECTED EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT WERE TO ACQUIRE INCREASED POWERS, AND PARTICULARLY OF A LEGISLATIVE CHARACTER, (RESTRICTIONS MIGHT HAVE TO BE IMPOSED ON THE VOTING RIGHTS OF THE BERLIN MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT AND A NEW PROCEDURE ESTABLISHED FOR THE APPLICATION TO BERLIN OF LAWS ENACTED BY THE PARLIAMENT) OR (FURTHER MEASURES MAY HAVE TO BE TAKEN BY THE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA). END TEXT.GEORGE

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